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HONGKONG, SEPTEMBER 16TH, 1908.

Plague has practically ceased to trouble Hongkong any more this year, but it will be seen from the report of the proceedings at yesterday's meeting of the Sanitary Board that attention is being wisely devoted in the "off-season" to devising measures which we may reasonably hope will do something to reduce the extent of these annually recurring epidemics. Thanks to the exhaustive investigations which have been carried on in India, the Sanitary authorities, wherever plague epidemics occur, are now able to intelligently attack the question. The ignorance which up to now has prevailed with regard to the etiology and epidemiology of plague has been responsible even in a small place like Hongkong for an unprofitable expenditure of millions of dollars. After eighteen years of cleansing and purifying operations in involving extensive structural alterations to almost every Chinese tenement in the Colony, we have had this year 1043 cases, a number which has only been exceeded twice since the great epidemic of 1894. And now we have the finding of the Indian Plague Commission that "insanitary conditions have no relation to the occurrence of plague, except in so far as they favour infestation by rats." That bubonic plague in man is entirely dependent on the rat, and that infection is conveyed from man solely by means of the rat flea, are definitely ascertained facts. The Indian Plague Commission further declare that the infection is conveyed from rat to rat, as well as from rat to man, solely by means of the rat flea; so, until plague-infected rats can be

isolated, as we isolate cases of infectious diseases among human beings, we shall always be liable to plague epidemics unless we can exterminate the whole breed of rats. And that we cannot hope to do. The Summary of the Work of the Indian Plague Commission, for a copy of which we are indebted to the Head of the Sanitary Department, is silent as to how the plague, infected districts are to get rid of the rats. That question was not, of course, within the scope of their investigations. Having ascertained how plague is spread, they leave it to the Sanitary authorities to take what measures seem to them most effectual to prevent these dreadful epidemics. Dr. SAMPSON, lecturer to the London School of Tropical Medicine, told a meeting held in London recently under the auspices of the newly-incorporated Society for the Destruction of Vermin, that the Eastern worship of serpents, and especially the deadly cobra arose out of the fact that these reptiles were regarded as servants of protective medicine, the slayers of disease-carrying rats. But they are never likely to become popular as household pets. Dr.

SAMPSON seemed to be of opinion that only the black rat became infected with plague, and he suggested the experiment of introducing the grey rat into some Eastern island to see whether he would not destroy the black rat and yet remain immune from plague. Hongkong will not be encouraged to try the experiment after what the Indian Plague Commission have to say on the subject. Both the grey rat and the black rat are present in great numbers in the plague infected districts of India and the Commission found more plague infection among the grey rats than among the black. That effectively explodes Dr. SAMPSON's theory. The only experiment so far suggested which seems to be worth making is the experiment of keeping cats which was suggested to the Sanitary Board by the Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY. It seems that wherever that experiment has been tried it has proved an unqualified success, and we anticipate very little difficulty in getting the Chinese inhabitants of the Colony to co-operate in the matter. The Chinese are fond of cats. In Canton and the surrounding districts, we understand, the cat is commonly to be found as a household pet, and it may be that this accounts to a large extent for the greater freedom from plague which Canton is reputed to enjoy as compared with Hongkong. The conditions of life however, are somewhat different in Hongkong. Here, where different families live on a single floor, the keeping of cats has its disadvantages, but when immunity from plague is at stake against the small amount of trouble involved in training a cat to cleanly habits, the people will doubtless see the matter in the light in which the Sanitary Board wish them to see it. We may mention an instance which is within our own knowledge of the value of the cat in preventing plague. Throughout one plague season a family of five persons occupied a floor in a house in which seven cases of plague occurred. This family kept a cat which was a good "fatter," and not one person living on that floor got the infection. We believe cases of this kind can be multiplied by scores in Hongkong; and, if only the keeping of cats becomes a general practice we believe the community could confidently look forward to a great reduction in the dimensions of these annually recurring epidemics of plague. The experiment deserves every encouragement.

It is reported from Kiel that the armoured cruiser "Friedrich Karl," now under construction, is to proceed to the Far East when completed.

The Return of visitors to the City Hall Library for the week ending the 13th September, 1908, shows that of non-Chinese there were 371 to the Library and of Chinese 192. Total 563. The Museum is closed for repairs until further notice.

Referring to the appointment of Captain Herbert Lyon as commodore in charge at Hongkong, a Service paper says: "There is every expectation that he will be able to hold the appointment for the best part of two years before reaching flag rank."

When a witness at the Supreme Court yesterday was asked the name of the man who had prepared a certain petition to the Chinese authorities he replied that he did not know it, whereupon Mr. Slade remarked that he understood that, as the profession of petition writer was a dangerous one in China.

It has been arranged to hold the fifth meeting of the Hongkong Gymkhana Club at the Happy Valley on Saturday the 10th proximo. The programme includes the following events:—(1) Five Furlongs Flat Race—handicap; (2) Gymkhana Stakes; (3) Ladies' Nomination—handicap; (4) Three-quarters of a mile Flat Race; (5) Time Race; (6) One mile and a quarter flat race—handicap.

The Siam Electricity Co. of Bangkok has declared a dividend of 6 per cent. for the half year.

The shareholders of the Paknam Railway Co., Ltd. of Bangkok had an animated annual meeting recently lasting three hours. The Directors among other things were condemned for putting before the shareholders a balance sheet designed to suppress necessary information, and on a vote being taken the balance sheet was rejected. Another matter discussed was a summary notice of dismissal which the Directors had given to the manager of the Company who had been ten years in their service. No reason, he complained, had been given for dismissing him.

At the Supreme Court yesterday a "breach" between counsel arose over a question put by Mr. Pollock to a witness. Mr. Slade objected to the form of the question, which led Mr. Pollock to retort:—"If my friend is so stupid as not to know when it is interrogative." The Chief Justice intervened with the remark that Mr. Pollock was putting a statement which the interpreter might put to the witness as a statement and not an interrogative. Mr. Pollock's rejoinder was "My Lord, I suppose anybody following me and listening to the infliction of my voice would know when I am addressing the Court." This closed the incident and the question was put.

A meeting of the representatives of the European, American and Japanese Banks and Commercial Houses was held recently at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Bangkok, under the presidency of Mr. A. H. Barclay, to consider what steps could be taken with regard to the collection of subscriptions for the fund being raised in Siam to celebrate the completion of the 41st year of His Majesty's reign. The fund alluded to is being raised under the auspices of H. E. H. the Crown Prince. On the suggestion of the Chairman a small representative Committee was appointed and authorized to undertake the collection of subscriptions from the American, European, Japanese commercial firms and Banks and to hand the same over to H. E. H. the Crown Prince as Chairman of the Central Committee. The following Committee was proposed by the Chairman:—Messrs. J. W. Edie (representing the British firms), W. Bremner (German), C. G. Edwards (American), E. Jorgensen (Danish), G. Kluge (Italian), E. C. Monod (French), Dr. de Keyser (Belgian) and Dr. Danno (Japanese). This was seconded and agreed to unanimously, the names of Mr. Farlow being also added to the Committee.

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(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

September 14th.
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At a meeting held yesterday the Self Government Association elected a Company called the Seventy-Two Guilds Fishing Industry Company with a capital of \$80,000, to promote the fishing industry in the South China Sea. The business of the company will include fishing, fish curing, the manufacture of fish glue and allied industries.

OPIMUM.
In the Imperial Edict issued in the 32nd year of Kwong Sai for the suppression of opium smoking in China it was merely stated that in future licenses must be taken out by shops that deal in prepared opium, and people who make opium. Nothing was said about the firms who deal in opium and persons who purchase opium for their own consumption. A proclamation was issued by the local authorities a few days ago announcing that dealers in opium as well as prepared opium have to take out licenses so as to prevent people from buying raw opium and boiling it themselves.

HONGKONG CRICKET LEAGUE.

The fifth annual report of the Committee reads as follows:—

The number of clubs entered for the shield competition was nine, being one more than the previous season. The Clubs entered were as follows:—Craigengower, Royal Garrison Artillery, Telegraphs, Kowloon, Civil Service, Police, Hongkong "A," 3rd Middlesex Regt. and Departmental Corps.

The shield was won by the Craigengower Cricket Club (the runners-up in the previous two seasons) with a percentage of 57.14 for the 16 matches played, of which 11 were won, 3 lost and 2 drawn (total points 8).

In the past season the system of scoring was altered from 3 points for a win and 1 point for a draw to 1 point for a win and 1 point for a draw, while no point was reckoned for a draw. This latter was found very practicable and an improvement on the old method.

The annual match between the Hongkong Cricket Club and a combined League team was played at Christmas and Boxing Day. The League for the first time played XI instead of XV men. The match resulted in an easy win for the Club.

The accounts show a credit balance of \$33.73.

The shield and medals were kindly presented to the successful team at an "At Home" on their ground by Mrs. Braidwood, wife of the Vice-President, in the unavoidable absence of Mrs. Hancock, wife of the President.

The annual general meeting will be held in St. George's Building (Messrs. Shaw, James & Co.'s office) on Thursday the 17th September 1908 at 5.30 p.m.

H. S. Secretary and Treasurer.
Hongkong, 10th September, 1908.

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TELEGRAMS.

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INTERNATIONAL RUBBER EXHIBITION.

LONDON, September 15th.

Sir Henry Blake has opened the International Rubber Exhibition at Olympia.

THE AMERICAN ELECTION.

LONDON, September 15th.

President Roosevelt has written a lengthy letter in support of the candidature of Mr. W. H. Taft for the Presidency.

THE TROOPING SEASON.

LONDON, September 15th.

Reinforcements for the first battalion of the East Kent regiment (the Buffs) embark on the troopship "Soudan" at Southampton tomorrow.

HEAVY FIGHTING AT TABRIZ.

LONDON, September 13th.

The Times correspondent at Tabriz wires that the heaviest fighting since the beginning of the troubles is now proceeding in the Northern suburbs. The British Vice-Consul has done his best to effect an agreement, but his efforts have not received the co-operation of the Russian Consul-General which was expected in view of the joint Anglo-Russian action at Teheran.

CANADIAN FOREST FIRES.

LONDON, September 13th.

The Canadian Trans-Continental traffic is interrupted by forest fires between Ottawa and Fort William. Twenty-five miles of the shores of Lake Superior are a wall of flame.

MULAI HAFID.

LONDON, September 13th.

Mulai Hafid has been proclaimed Sultan throughout Morocco with the exception of Casablanca.

RUBBER EXHIBITION AT OLYMPIA.

LONDON, September 13th.

A Rubber Exhibition has been opened at Olympia.

Sir Henry Blake, presiding at the inaugural dinner, emphasized the importance from a scientific standpoint of the Ceylon exhibits which were the second largest in the exhibition, and which would afford an instructive lesson on the entire method of rubber culture.

British Malaya is also well represented at the exhibition, but the largest exhibits are those of the Netherlands, contributed by the Dutch Colonial Office.

JAPAN AND THE GRAND EXHIBITION.

The following communication has been received from the Japanese Consulate, Hongkong:—

"The re-examination and new analysis to which the Japanese Government have found it necessary to subject the project of a Grand Exhibition in 1913, has convinced them that the intervening time—31 years—is insufficient for the completion of all the various preparations and works which are essential to a successful realization of the undertaking. In revising and re-estimating it was made abundantly clear that the Budget already voted would have to be largely augmented in order to carry out the Exhibition on the scale now proposed.

"The industrial energies of Japan being fully employed to meet existing demands, it would be impossible within the allotted time to prepare the exhibits without disturbing the manufacturing activities of the country. Nor is there sufficient time in which to prepare the Exhibition grounds, to erect the Exhibition buildings or to make the necessary arrangements for the suitable accommodation and convenience of visitors. In these circumstances it was deemed best to make the inevitable postponement at this time, rather than delay action until an adjournment would cause inconvenience and be prejudicial to rights and interests. Again, the Japanese Government, following a very commendable custom, have decided that the projected Exhibition may be commemorated by a very auspicious event in their history. In 1917 will be celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the accession of His Majesty the Emperor. That will be, for all His Majesty's subjects, a season of a great rejoicing, and it is proposed to take advantage of that happy occasion to inaugurate the Exhibition."

THE BOYCOTT OF JAPANESE GOODS AT CANTON.

Some correspondence has recently passed between the Japanese Consul at Canton and H. E. the Viceroy.

The Japanese Consul in his last despatch wrote that the boycott of Japanese goods by the Kwangtung merchants had been constantly in his mind. He had written and discussed the subject with the Viceroy on many occasions and had plainly pointed out to His Excellency the serious effect of it on Japanese trade, and had repeatedly begged His Excellency to give the matter his careful consideration and do his means to stop the boycott and restore the normal course of trade. But, instead of matters improving he found that the local Guilds—Sea Delicias, Piece Goods and others—have convened public meetings for the purpose of deciding on more stringent measures to be taken in promotion of the boycott of Japanese goods—in fact to start a boycott proper. They have framed stringent regulations and have warned the people that heavy fines will be imposed on those persons or shops who break the rules of the boycott union. A few days ago they publicly announced that an extraordinary meeting would be held on the 16th instant at the Hall of the Self-Government Association to adopt further measures to boycott Japanese merchandise. All notices convening these meetings were published in the local Press. Moreover, in one of the meetings recently held at the Self-Government Association Hall there were distributed to the public at the door of the Hall copies of a circular in which it was stated that as a delicias contain poison, thereby leading the public to believe that Japanese sea delicias are poisonous. The attitude of the Kwangtung people in the boycott of Japanese goods has been a great impediment to both Japanese and Chinese commerce, for it was not only detrimental and injurious to Japanese merchants, but was also playing havoc with the trade of the Chinese merchants in the different ports in Japan.

Japan and China, the despatch goes on to say, have been on peaceful terms for a long time and the very fact that the Kwangtung Province is the only place in China that has instituted and is still carrying on the boycott against Japan, makes it all the more unfortunate that the peace which has hitherto been enjoyed between the people of both countries should be destroyed. It was not only injurious to the public in general but would seriously impair the friendly relations hitherto existing between the two Governments.

The despatch finally requests the Viceroy to consider these statements and take such steps as will lead to a removal of the boycott.

On receipt of the above despatch the Viceroy wrote to the Kwong Chow Prefect as follows:—

"In going through the file of correspondence and papers connected with the Japanese boycott affair, I find that I have issued several proclamations exhorting the people to cease boycotting Japanese goods, and to rigidly suppress the publication of boycott literature and to prohibit the circulation of expresses announcing boycott meetings. I further discovered that I also gave instructions to the officials to suppress mass meetings and to prohibit the people from delivering public speeches propagating and spreading the boycott movement."

"I am now in receipt of another despatch from the Japanese Consul stating that the Sea Delicias and other Guilds have again been circulating expresses convening meetings and urging the people not to purchase or use Japanese goods."

"Steps should be immediately taken to inquire into the matter and to have the movement suppressed. I further order you to immediately assemble the representatives of the Sea Delicias, Piece Goods and other Guilds and also the gentry and merchants of the Self-Government Association and inform them that they must obey the proclamations which were issued by me. They must carry on their business in the usual peaceful way and must not incite the people to disturb the public peace."

otherwise they are liable to get themselves into serious trouble. At the same time you are also requested to summon the editors of the local Press to appear before you and to tell them not to publish any articles or notices connected with boycott affairs, as the publication of such things is liable to mislead the public and create idle talk which might eventually lead the people into trouble."

THE COST OF LIVING IN JAPAN.

The new tariff to come into force on October 1st is a revelation of anti-foreign tactics, says the Japan Gazette. Among the articles still further increased are some never used by the Japanese. It cannot be said that the object of the tariff is protective for the Japanese do not produce the articles taxed in any quantity, if at all, and the quality is not above reproach. Under the new tariff jams and jellies are advanced about five cents a pound; biscuits eight cents; chocolate (drinking), cocoa and confectionery, six cents; baking powder, ten per cent; honey, which was already carrying a fifty per cent tax, is now to pay sixty. A further increase of ¥1.30 per dozen is to be made with regard to spirits, and liquors are to be advanced by ¥2.40 per dozen. It is worthy of note, also, that the ad valorem taxes are not only on the articles themselves but also on the freight, insurance and other charges. Thus the cost of living for foreigners goes continually higher.

Most complaint is heard from foreigners residing in Japan, says the London (translated) by the Japan Gazette on account of the increased cost of living. Butler costs three times as much as it does in America; a pair of shoes, sugar, five times; best six times; milk, twice; overcoats, three times; ordinary shoes twice; and flannel shirts at least twice as much. They have to pay 55 to 60 sen for a bottle of table salt which would cost about 1 cent at home. The only articles which remain cheap are silk and tea, on which they cannot live, and which could just as well be dispensed with.

THE SHAKUWAN BUILDING COLLAPSE.

CONTRACTOR TO BE TRIED FOR MANSLAUGHTER.

The inquiry concerning the deaths of 17 Chinese, occasioned by the collapse of buildings 24 to 27, the Praya, Shaukiwan, in the typhoon of July 27th, was continued before Mr. J. H. Kemp and a jury at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor, represented the Crown, and Mr. Otto Kong Sing appeared for the owner of the property.

A delay was occasioned by the non-appearance of Mr. Raymond, who sent a telephone message saying he would attend as soon as he was able.

When he arrived Mr. Kemp said:—You were not here in time, Mr. Raymond?

Mr. Raymond—You got my telephone message?

Mr. Kemp—I got it after time.

Mr. Raymond—I'm sorry.

Mr. Kemp—You must make it your business to attend in time. You have been keeping the Court, the other jurors and the Crown Solicitor waiting. I don't see why you should come at whatever hour you think convenient and keep us waiting.

Mr. Raymond—I am very sorry.

Mr. Kemp—I shall call upon you to show cause why you should not be fined after the inquiry is over.

Mr. H. E. Haggard, assistant engineer in the Public Works Department, said he joined that Department in February, 1902, since which date he had been engaged on work exclusively under the Building Ordinances. When the plans for these houses were sent in, Mr. Tooker was in charge of the building work; Mr. Crisp and witness being his assistants. Witness checked the plan put in, and found it was correct with the Ordinance then in force. It was then referred to the Medical Officer of Health to see that it complied with sanitary requirements. On August 20th the plan was acknowledged as being in accordance with the Ordinance. It was Mr. Crisp's duty to inspect the buildings during the course of erection. No record had been found in the office to show whether Mr. Crisp did or did not inspect these houses. A book he kept showed that during the period of building operations he visited Shaukiwan. The notice regarding alteration of the plan passed through witness's hands. It was in accordance with the Ordinance and he altered it. On May 23rd he received an application from the owner for the buildings to be inspected and passed. Witness then inspected them, and passed the buildings on June 2nd, 1903. From his inspection witness could see very little of the back wall. He did not cut into it. There was a departmental order in force at that time that walls should not be cut after buildings were completed. His inspection was a superficial one, but so far as he could see buildings and plans complied with the Ordinance. It was possible for a wall to appear as if properly built and bonded, whereas in fact it was not so. Witness visited these houses last week and examined what was left of the back wall. The lower two floors were of stone and the top one of brick. It was very badly built, there being spaces through the middle and several false headers. Portion of the wall at the rear of house 27, and the whole of 29 appeared to be built dry, there being no mortar in the heart of it. There was very little bonding between the party walls, the external wall and the rear wall. The brick work was badly built. Portions of the stone wall had fallen. The defects in bonding and the weakness of the mortar, which was of an inferior quality, affected the stability of the wall.

Examined by Mr. Kong Sing, witness said he expected a report on the plan from Mr. Crisp. He could not remember any being made, and took it that the construction was proceeding in a proper manner. It was possible for Mr. Crisp to make any kind of report, so long as it was not a bad one, without witness inquiring. If a wall was plastered, witness could not tell whether it was properly bonded or not, but the wall in question was whitewashed.

Mr. T. L. Perkins, executive engineer in the Public Works Department, deposed that he arrived in the Colony about a year after the houses in question had been passed. He had inspected them several times since the collapse. The back wall, of which the greater portion fell, was 74 feet long and nearly 40 feet high. At intervals of nearly 14 feet the external and party walls of these houses joined. Had the wall been properly built and bonded it was not a wall likely to collapse—it would have been a very substantial structure. The stone work in the wall was exceptionally good, and the wall was not substantially bonded with the party and external walls. The brickwork was better than the stonework, but it was not bonded any better. The mortar, as the specimen before the Court showed, was about as poor as it could be. That specimen was taken from the heart of the wall. Witness did not notice any mortar clinging to bricks which had fallen from the wall; they were nearly all clean. These defects of construction and material would seriously affect the stability of the wall. As a general rule it was nearly always impossible to detect defects without cutting into a wall.

After the solicitors had addressed the jury, and Mr. Kemp had explained the law to them, they retired to consider their verdict.

After an absence of nearly ten minutes they returned into Court, and the foreman announced the finding to be:—

(1) That the 17 deaths were due to the fall of the wall.

(2) That the fall of the wall was due to the bad workmanship of the contractor, Chung Yee.

(3) That the contractor Chung Yee was guilty of gross negligence, amounting to manslaughter.

On this finding his Worship sentenced the arrest of Chung Yee, and fixed bail at \$2,000. Mr. Kemp then asked Mr. Raymond what business detained him.

Mr. Raymond said he missed the Peak tram and was unable to arrive in time. He was sorry that it so happened.

Mr. Kemp did not impose a fine.

Deposits received on terms which may be agreed on application.

D. TOHDOW, Manager.

Hongkong; 5th April, 1907.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

ANNU, British str., 1,350, Plunkett Cole, 15th September—Mol 10th September, Coal—Shewan, Tomes & Co.
 HANSON, British str., 2,587, McIntosh, 15th September—London 2nd Aug. & Singapore 9th September, General—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 HANGSANG, British str., 1,325, S. Wilde, 15th Sept.—Shanghai Sept. 9th, and Swatow 14th, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 KAIKONG, British str., 987, Mathias, 15th Sept.—Cebu and Mol 11th Sept, General—Butterfield & Swire.
 LATHAN, British str., 3,176, E. A. Chaplin, 15th Sept.—Liverpool and Singapore 9th September, General—Doddwell & Co.
 FITZPATRICK, German str., 1,287, J. Heynau, 14th Sept.—Bangkok 8th September, Rice and Wood—Butterfield & Swire.
 SHANTUNG, British str., 1,335, Robinson, 14th September—Sourabaya 7th September, Sugar—Butterfield & Swire.
 YAMASHIRO MARU, Japanese str., 4,097, B. Kon, 14th September—Mol 1st September, Coal—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

CLEARANCES.

At THE HARBOR MASTER'S OFFICE.
 15th September.
 Annu, British str., for Canton.
 Annu Maru, Japanese str., for Singapore.
 Hanyang, British str., for Canton.
 Kaitung, British str., for Shanghai.
 Signal, German str., for Hoihow.

DEPARTURES.

15th September.
 AUSTRALIAN, French str., for Europe, &c.
 CHUNSHING, British str., for Canton.
 HAINAN, British str., for Coast Ports.
 KIANGSING, Chinese str., for Canton.
 KWANGSANG, British str., for Ningpo.
 LAMINGTON, British str., for Samarang.
 TAMING, British str., for Manila.
 KINGHOW, British str., for Canton.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. Kaitung reports: Moderate winds and fine weather, sea smooth.
 The British str. Pathan reports: Light variable winds with smooth sea from Singapore to port.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

September 15th.
 ABERDEEN DOCKS.—Johanne.
 COWLING DOCKS.—Savagan, H.M.S. Whiting, U.S.S. Albatross, Chin On, Montano, Kiang Ta, Hupei, Italian, St. Enoch, Helene, Cosmopolitan DOCKS.—Pocahontas, Kaga Maru.

VESSELS PASSED ANKER.

August 21, Dutch str. Ophir, Sharp, July 18, from Rotterdam, for Batavia.
 August 23, British str. Argowan, June 18, from New York, for Shanghai.
 August 24, German str. Oberhausen, Orgel, June 6, from Hamburg, for Batavia.
 August 24, Norwegian str. Halvar, Simonsen, April 29, from Tyne, for Samarang.
 August 25, British str. Boscombe, June 29, from Barry, for Bangkok.
 August 26, British str. Querimba, from West.
 August 26, British str. Islander, Wright, Aug. 24, from Christmas Island, for Singapore.
 August 27, Dutch str. Andon, Zeilings, July 12, from Hamburg, for Batavia.
 August 28, Dutch str. van Spilbergen, July 26, from Rotterdam, for Katavia.
 August 29, British str. Onda, Dagge, Aug. 27, from Sumatra, for Colombo.
 August 30, British str. Anchises, de Boer, July 16, from Clyde, for Batavia.

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SECTIONS.

1 From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2 From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3 From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4 From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	SECT.	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON &c. via USUAL PORTS OF CALL.	MALTA	Brit. str.	—	H. Powell	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 19th inst., at Noon.
ALEXANDRIA, ANTWERP & HAMBURG &c.	SPERZA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Kotatz	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	About 28th inst.
HARVE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	AMERICA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Deinat	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 20th inst.
HARVE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	BRASILIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Schwinghammer	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 4th October.
HARVE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SILEBIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	v. Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 18th October.
HARVE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SARFIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Hildebrandt	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 31st October.
MARSEILLES, via PORTS OF CALL.	STERN SIMONS	Fr. str.	—	Girard	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 29th inst., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	CATHAY	Dan. str.	—	C. K. Butler	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 30th inst., at 3 P.M.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERA, GIBRALTAR, &c.	AMERICA	Ger. str.	—	E. Malchow	MELCHERS & Co.	On 23rd inst., at Noon.
TRIESTE, &c. via SINGAPORE, &c.	P. E. FRIDERICI	Aus. str.	—	B. Bedtanz	SANDER, WIELER & Co.	About 25th inst.
NEW YORK & BOSTON VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	INDRAMATO	Am. str.	—	Karberg	STANDARD OIL CO.	On 21st inst., at 5 P.M.
NEW YORK	VANDALIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	W. Ross	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 25th inst.
NEW YORK	SHIMOSA	Brit. str.	—	W. Ross	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 10th October.
SAN FRANCISCO	DAKOTAH	Brit. str.	—	W. Ross	STANDARD OIL CO.	About 30th inst.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	2 m.	W. Ross	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 28th inst., at 4 P.M.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	MONTEAGLE	Brit. str.	1 m.	G. S. Laprak	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 3rd Oct., at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE, WASH., &c.	KAGA MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	G. S. Laprak	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 22nd inst., P.M.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE, WASH., &c.	INVERIC	Brit. str.	—	J. Nagao	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 25th inst., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA TIMOR, PORT DARWIN	TAMBA MARU	Jap. str.	—	St. John George	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.	On 19th inst., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Harrison	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 2nd Oct., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	PRINZ WALDEMAR	Ger. str.	—	W. von Senden	MELCHERS & Co.	On 8th Oct., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	TAITAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	L. Dawson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th Oct., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	KUMANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	N. Mathieson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 30th Oct., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA AND KOBE	PRINZ WALDEMAR	Ger. str.	—	W. von Senden	MELCHERS & Co.	About 18th inst.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	HIYACHI MARU	Jap. str.	—	F. E. Cope	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 18th inst.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	N. Mathieson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 30th inst., at Noon.
JAPAN	TIPANAS	Dut. str.	—	Paddi	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
CHINGWANGTAO, JAPAN, AMERICA, &c.	QUESSANT	Fr. str.	—	M. Mooney	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 15th inst., at Noon.
TIENSIN VIA SWATOW, TIENTSIN, WEIHAIWEI, &c.	CHUNSHING	Brit. str.	1 m.	G. Hooker	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 23rd inst., at 4 P.M.
CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	CHUNSHING	Brit. str.	—	Sandbach	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-day, at Noon.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW	CHUNSHING	Brit. str.	—	Raidich	SANDER, WIELER & Co.	To-day, P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	AUSTRIA	Aus. str.	—	A. L. Valentini	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at 5 A.M.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW	ORIENTAL	Brit. str.	—	T. Saraga	OSAKA SHOSSEN KAISHA	On 18th inst., at 9 A.M.
SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, & TIENTSIN	HANGSANG	Brit. str.	—	A. E. Sandbach	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 19th inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI & KOBE	LISERIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Knaiss	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 21st inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	YOKOHAMA MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Sato	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 22nd inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	GREGORY APCAR	Brit. str.	—	E. P. Bosch	DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.	On 22nd inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	ZIETEN	Ger. str.	—	E. W. Briggs	MELCHERS & Co.	About 26th inst.
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SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	SARFIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	Bradley	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 2nd Oct., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	KURANG	Dut. str.	—	Jurriense	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	YINGHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	Fraser	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
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SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	JOSEPH MARU	Jap. str.	—	Y. Kaburaki	OSAKA SHOSSEN KAISHA	On 20th inst., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	HAITAN	Brit. str.	2 1/2	Rosch	DOUGLAS LAFRAE & Co.	On 18th inst., at 2 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	SINGAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	Jameson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 18th inst., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	YUNSHANG	Brit. str.	—	T. Myrick	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 19th inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	RUBI	Brit. str.	—	R. W. Almond	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 22nd inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	TRAIN	Brit. str.	1 m.	W. Outbridge	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 25th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	LONGHANG	Brit. str.	—	B. J. Payne	SANDER, WIELER & Co.	On 28th inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	KAIFONG	Brit. str.	1 m.	E. Rodger	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 18th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	BOHNO	Ger. str.	—	Mathias	MELCHERS & Co.	Middle of October.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	YOKOHAMA	Brit. str.	—	F. Semblil	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-day, at 1 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	YOKOHAMA	Jap. str.	—	H. Kon	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	YIMARI	Dut. str.	—	de Brouwers	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

FRENCH MAIL LINES.

FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO AND FROM EUROPE VIA SUEZ CANAL.

FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO AND FROM JAPAN VIA SHANGHAI.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE &c.	"CALEDONIAN"	On 23rd Sept., P.M.
YOKOHAMA	"ERNEST SIMON"	On 29th Sept., 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES VIA PORTS	"POLYNESIAN"	On 12th Oct., P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE &c.	"VILLE DE LA CITOT"	On 13th Oct., 1 P.M.
YOKOHAMA		

Transhipping on the Co's Steamers at Singapore for Batavia; at Colombo for Calcutta, Bombay and Australia; at Port Said for the Levant, Constantinople and Black Sea. Through Tickets to London, via Paris, from 227 lbs. up to 271 lbs. 20. Hours Railway from Marseilles to London. Interpreters meet Passengers on their arrival in Marseilles.

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Hongkong, 15th September, 1908.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR

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VIA KEELUNG, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, SHIMIDZU, AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamers	Tons	Captain	Sailing Date
INVERIC	4,785	Boyd	On 22nd September.

These Steamers are specially fitted for the carriage of Asiatic Steerage Passengers.

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DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,

Hongkong, 15th September, 1908.

GENERAL AGENTS, Queen's Building.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	"PRINZ WALDEMAR"	About Friday, 18th September.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERA, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & BREMEN	"PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH"	Wed. day, 23rd Sept., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	"ZIETEN"	About Wed. day, 23rd September.
MANILA, YAP, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"PRINZ WALDEMAR"	Thursday, 8th Oct., at Noon.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	"BORNEO"	Middle of October.

For further Particulars apply to

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELOHRS & CO., GENERAL AGENTS, HONGKONG & CHINA.

Hongkong, 12th September, 1908.

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R.M.S.	PROPOSED SAILINGS.	(Subject to Alteration.)	TO SAIL	ARRIVE VANCOUVER
"EMPEROR OF CHINA"	6,000	SATURDAY, 28th Sept.	17th Oct.	
"MONTEAGLE"	6,163	SATURDAY, 3rd Oct.	27th Oct.	
"EMPEROR OF INDIA"	6,000	SATURDAY, 17th Oct.	7th Nov.	
"EMPEROR OF JAPAN"	6,000	SATURDAY, 7th Nov.	28th Nov.	
"EMPEROR OF CHINA"	6,000	SATURDAY, 28th Nov.	19th Dec.	
"MONTEAGLE"	6,163	SATURDAY, 12th Dec.	5th Jan. 09	

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For further information, Maps, Routes, Handbooks, Rates of Freight and Passage, apply to D. W. CRADDOCK, General Traffic Agent for China, Corner Pender Street and Fraye, opposite Blake Pier.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

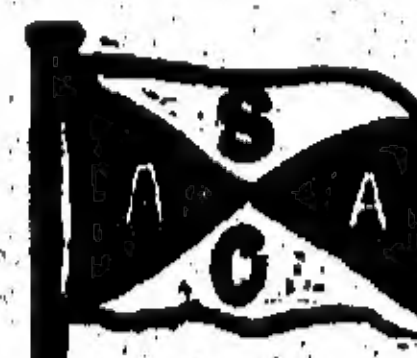
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THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSEAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

Captain H. Powell, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from the Colombo, Marseilles and London on SATURDAY, the 19th September, at NOON, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's S.S. "INDIA," 8,000 tons, from Colombo; passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong. Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding to Marseilles and London, other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed direct by the R.M.S. "MALTA" due in London on the 26th October, 1908. Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required. For further particulars, apply to F. J. ABBOTT, Acting Superintendent, Hongkong, 9th September, 1908.



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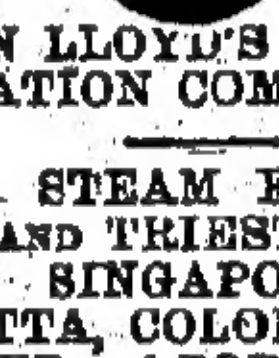
(with liberty to call at the Malabar Coast).

S.S. "INDRAMAYO" On 21st Sept., 5 P.M.

For Freight and Further Information, Apply to—

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, 5th September, 1908. 1271



AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

Approximate times of closing mails at Shanghai via Dainy and Siberia

25th September ... at 9 a.m.
2nd October ... at 1 p.m.
9th October ... at 8 a.m.

The *Oriental*, with the English mail of the 21st August, left Singapore on Friday, the 11th instant, at 6 p.m. and may be expected here to-day. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 21st July, and the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the air sea route on the 12th August, and for despatch overland on the 10th August.

The *Empress of China*, with the Canadian mail left Shanghai on Monday, the 14th inst., at 10 p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow, at 8 a.m.

The *China*, with the American mail will leave Manila for Hongkong on Wednesday evening, and will be due to arrive on Friday, the 18th inst., about noon.

FOR

FOR	DATE
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Wednesday, 16th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow and Shanghai	Wednesday, 16th, 11.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Wednesday, 16th, NOON.
Singapore, Amoy, Takao and Aomori	Wednesday, 16th, 1.00 P.M.
Manila	Wednesday, 16th, 1.15 P.M.
Shanghai	Wednesday, 16th, 3.00 P.M.
Saloon	Wednesday, 16th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	Wednesday, 16th, 4.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Yokohama and Kobe	Wednesday, 16th, 5.00 P.M.
Hankow and Peking	Thursday, 17th, 10.00 A.M.
Samarang, Sourabaya and Batavia	Thursday, 17th, 11.00 A.M.
Singapore, Colombo and Bombay	Thursday, 17th, 1.15 P.M.
Manila	Thursday, 17th, 2.00 P.M.
Keelung, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama	Thursday, 17th, 3.00 P.M.
Shimoda, Yokohama, Victoria and Seattle	Thursday, 17th, 3.00 P.M.
Ningpo and Shanghai	Thursday, 17th, 4.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Yokohama and Kobe	Thursday, 17th, 5.00 P.M.
Hankow and Peking	Friday, 18th, 9.00 A.M.
Samarang, Sourabaya and Batavia	Friday, 18th, 11.00 A.M.
Singapore, Colombo and Bombay	Friday, 18th, 1.15 P.M.
Manila	Friday, 18th, 3.00 P.M.
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Shanghai, Yokohama and Kobe	Friday, 18th, 5.00 P.M.

KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU AND SAN FRANCISCO.
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JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, September 16th.

COMPANY	PAID UP	QUOTATIONS
Alhambra	£s 200	Nominal.
Bank		
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$125	\$165, buyers
National B. of China	25	\$51, buyers
Bank of China	125	\$74, buyers
China-Borneo Co.	12	\$104, sellers
China Light & P. Co.	10	\$61, sellers
China Provident	10	\$94, sales & buy.
Cotton Mills		
Ewo	115	\$11, as es
Hongkong	115	\$11, as es
International	115	\$11, as es
Laon Kung-Mow	115	\$11, as es
Soychew	115	\$11, as es
Dairy Farm	46	\$20, buyers
Docks and Wharves	46	\$40, buyers
H. & W. Wharf	46	\$40, buyers
International	46	\$40, buyers
Laon Kung-Mow	46	\$40, buyers
Soychew	46	\$40, buyers
Penwick & Co. Geo.	25	\$12, sellers
Green Island Cement	10	\$10, sales
Hongkong & C. Gas	410	\$185
Hongkong Electric	10	\$174, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Co.	450	\$80
Hongkong Ice Co.	123	\$231
H.K. Milling Co. Ltd.	100	Nominal
Hongkong Rope Co.	110	\$24, buyers
Insurance		
Canal	450	\$24, sellers
China Fire	450	\$24, buyers
Hongkong Fire	450	\$24, buyers
North China	450	\$24, buyers
Union	450	\$24, buyers
Yangtze	450	\$24, buyers
Land and Building		
Hongkong Land	100	\$94, sellers
Humphreys & Co.	100	\$94, sellers
Kowloon Land & B.	100	\$94, sellers
Shanghai Land & B.	100	\$94, sellers
West Point Building	100	\$94, sellers
Mining		
Carbonates	250	\$580, buyers
Rams	150	\$74
Peak Tramways	10	\$14
Philippine Co.	10	\$8, sellers
Refineries		
China Sugar	100	\$180, sellers
Luan Sugar	100	\$22
Steamship Companies		
China and India	450	\$15, sellers
Douglas Steamship	450	\$38, sellers
H. Canton & M.	450	\$274, buyers
Indo-China S.N. Co.	25	\$135
Shell Transport Co.	10	\$24, sales & buy
Star Ferry	10	\$24, sales & buy
Do, New	10	\$24, sales & buy
South China M. Post.	25	\$24, buyers
Steam Laundry Co.	10	\$5
Stores & Dispensaries		
Campbell, M. & Co.	10	\$5, sellers
Powell & Co, Wm.	10	\$5, buyers
Watkins	10	\$5
Watson & Co, A.S.	10	\$5
Weissmann, Ld.	10	\$5
United Asbestos	4	\$124, x.d.
Do, Founders	10	\$230, x.d. buyers
Union Waterfront Co.	10	\$104, sellers

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
September 15th.

ON LONDON.	
Telegraphic Transfer	104
Bank Bills, on demand	104
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	104
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight	104
Credit, at 4 months sight	104
Documentary Bills, at 4 months sight	104
ON PARIS.	
Bank Bills, on demand	223
Credit, at 4 months sight	227
ON GERMANY.	
on demand	181
ON NEW YORK.	
Bank Bills, on demand	43
Credit, at 60 days sight	44
ON HONGKONG.	
Telegraphic Transfer	183
Bank, on demand	183
ON CALCUTTA.	
Telegraphic Transfer	183
Bank, on demand	183
ON SHANGHAI.	
Bank, at sight	754
Private, 30 days sight	764
ON YOKOHAMA.	
On demand	584
ON MANILA.	
On demand	584
ON SINGAPORE.	
On demand	584
ON BATAVIA.	
On demand	104
ON HONGKONG.	
On demand	104
ON SAIGON.	
On demand	104
ON HANKOW.	
On demand	104
ON SOERABAYA.	
Bank's Buying Rate	\$11.15
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tola	\$58.85
SILVER, per tola	\$23.1

SUBSIDIARY COINS.

Chinese 20 cents pieces	\$5.50 discount.
10	6.70
Hongkong 20	5.30
10	5.40

OPIUM.

Quotations are—	
Malwa New	\$1060/1080 per picul.
Malwa Old	\$1090/1100
Malwa Older	\$1100/1120
Malwa V. Old	\$1130/1140
Ceylon fine quality	\$900
Persian extra fine	\$920
Patna New	\$1145 per chest.
Patna Old	\$1100
Benares New	\$1100
Benares Old	\$1090

STEARNS PASSED BY CANAL.
Sept. 2nd—*Asiatic*, *Bendish*, *Indra*, *Sambha*, *Tenka*, *Soya*, *Maria*, 5th—*Wray*, *Castle*, *Buruga*, *C. Ford*, *Lucas*, *Ceylon*, *Maria*, *Clenture*, *Hyson*, *Kanagawa*, *Maria*, *reshawir*, 9th—*Schankert*, *Bendish*, *Bengo*, *Maria*, *Caledonia*, *Coramantia*, *Isaria*, *El Kanlara*, *Konang*, *St. 12th*—*Kimo*, *Maria*, *Armanah*, *Bekie*, *Dionad*, *Glaucus*, *Rebia*, *Poma*.

ARRIVAL AT HOME
Sept. 11th—*Dorimund*, *Biam*, *Agamemnon*, *Sardania*.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

NORDDDEUTSCHE LLOYD, BREMEN
IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship
"LUETZOW"
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 16th September, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 16th September, at 9.30 A.M. All Claims must reach us before the 20th September, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDDEUTSCHE LLOYD, MELOHRS & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, 9th September, 1908.

AMERICAN ASIATIC S.S. COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship
"INVERCLYDE,"
Captain W. H. Lee, having arrived from the above Port, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant at 3 P.M.

All claims must be presented within fifteen days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 16th inst. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN TOMES & CO. General Agents.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1908.

FROM EUROPE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE H.A.L. Steamship
"SILESIA,"
Captain von Hoff, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-DAY. Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed at Consignees' risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 16th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 17th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 11th September, 1908.

S.S. "VILLE DE LA CIOTAT," COMPAGNIES DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex "S. S. 'Ordanion' and 'Charente,'" from Bordeaux ex "S. S. 'Ville de Rochefort,'" in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining undelivered after MONDAY, the 21st Sept., at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 21st Sept., or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 21st Sept., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. P. NALIN, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1908.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, PORT SAID, SUEZ, ADEN, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship
"AUSTRIA,"
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risks into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

This Steamer brings Cargo from Venice ex s.s. "Metzovich," transhipped at Trieste.

Trieste ex s.s. "Pereia," transhipped at Bombay.

Optional Cargo will be discharged here unless notice to the contrary be given immediately.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 21st inst., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 21st inst. will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER WIELER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1908.



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